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AMERICANS WILL BE SAFE AT SEA IS PLEDGE MADE

Reliable Report States That Von Bernstorff Guarantees Protection by German Government.

SUBMARINES TO BE CURBED

Activities of U-Boats Will Be Limited and No More Harm Will Come to Americans in Any Circumstances, Is Substance of Agreement Said to Be Made.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—It was reliably reported this afternoon that in a conference with Secretary of State Lansing, Ambassador Von Bernstorff gives assurances that Germany will limit her submarine activities and practically pledged that no more Americans will be harmed in any circumstances.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—Germany's position in the Arabic case, based on the facts so far received, was laid before the state department in Washington today. It is believed the first expression from Germany through Ambassador Gerard will pave the way for a settlement of the incident. The ambassador filed a long code cable to Washington last night following a conference with Foreign Minister Jagow. He would not discuss the contents of the message but expressed the belief the situation growing out of the sinking of the Arabic would be settled without a break.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Germany does not want the United States drawn into the war. Officialdom is satisfied on that point. The request of Von Bernstorff that the United States delay action on the Arabic case until reports have been received from Berlin largely relieves the apprehension that Germany desired the participation of this country in the war. The conference today between Lansing and Von Bernstorff is understood to have eliminated such a possibility entirely.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—A code cable was received by the state department this afternoon from Ambassador Gerard. It was believed to be the ambassador's report on the conference with Von Jagow.

GALVESTON RETURNS TO NORMAL AFTER STORM

GALVESTON, Aug. 26.—Galveston had transportation service for the first time today in nearly two weeks. Limited service on the street car lines put out of commission by the hurricane was started this morning.

ATLANTIC LINER SAFE IN PORT AT NEW YORK

PLYMOUTH, Eng., Aug. 26.—The Atlantic transport liner Minnehaha arrived safely from New York. Fears had been felt for its safety.

City Council Takes Steps for Improving Many Streets

A petition asking for the paving of Willow street between Webb and Alta was presented to the city council last evening and is now in the hands of the street committee. Other steps taken in the street improvement campaign last evening were the passage of the ordinance providing for the grading of West Jackson street and the first reading of the South Main street improvement ordinance. Owing to the failure of the ordinance to require bids on the macadam strips on either side of the proposed pavement, the ordinance was referred back to the city attorney for correction. This improvement between Bluff and High will cost over \$3000.

Labor for Library Site.

Reporting upon the request of the library board last week, Chairman Murphy of the finance committee recommended that the city prisoners be put to work assisting in the grading of the library site. He stated that the finances would not permit the city to appropriate money for this purpose. It is probable that a special assessment will be appointed to take charge of the prisoners. The county court has promised to supply a powder man for the work.

Must Build Sidewalks.

The matter of building needed sidewalks in the city was taken up last night and the street commissioner was instructed to prepare a list of the defective walks in the city. The city engineer was instructed to find

Where Allies Strive to Win



Scene of operations at the Dardanelles where, with Italy's declaration of war against Turkey, the allies soon expect to force an entrance and take Constantinople.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Persistent, though unconfirmed rumors, were in circulation in New York that the Dardanelles were on the point of being forced. It was reported that a heavy British force had been landed on the shore of the Gulf of Saros and had, under a heavy fire of warships, landed on the Gallipoli peninsula near its narrowest part, to isolate the Turkish forces from their base by cutting their supply railroads.

PLOT TO LIBERATE HUERTA UNEARTHED BY U. S. OFFICIALS

ARRESTS LIKELY TO FOLLOW DISCOVERY OF MEXICAN PLAN IN TEXAS.

EL PASO, Aug. 26.—The plot of Mexicans to cross the Rio Grande and swarm into Texas had for one of its objects the release of Huerta, now held at Fort Bliss. The plans of the Mexicans are believed to have been crushed by the speedy military preparations which were made here, but army officials have no doubt the followers of Huerta, Orozco and Carranza, who have been banded together across the border, planned to force a way into Texas. Arrests are expected to follow the exposure of the plot.

Remanding Fairtime Licenses.

The Happy Canyon committee was last evening granted the privilege of regulating the concessions to be given during Round-up week and Acting Mayor Dyer appointed Councilmen Cole Siebert and Ell to confer with the committee on this matter. The intention is to bar out illegitimate attractions. All license money will go to the city.

The complaint of Charles J. Koch regarding the policy of permitting lunch counters to be established upon the streets was referred to the street committee.

The petition of Paul Hemmelgarn to install a gasoline filling tank in the street in front of the new garage on Court street was referred to the proper committee. An application for a popcorn wagon license was turned down. The revised plat of Irvington Heights was approved and accepted and several other minor business matters disposed of.

GREAT FLEET OF AIR-SHIPS RAID MUNITION SHOPS

Sixty-Two French Aviators Take Part in Air Bombardment of Factories in Bavaria.

NEARLY 200 BOMBS DROPPED

Exploit is Hailed as Greatest Aerial Accomplishment of the War—Paris Believes That Considerable Damage Was Done by Explosives—Machines Return in Safety.

PARIS, Aug. 26.—Sixty-two French aviators bombarded German munition factories at Dillinger, Bavaria, in the greatest aerial raid of the war, the war office announced. A great flight of aeroplanes dropped 159 bombs in the munition factories, five of large calibre. They are believed to have done great damage. The aviators flew more than 100 miles and return from the base in the Vosges. Never before have such a great number of aviators participated in a raid.

An official statement confirmed the Berlin report of Offenburg being attacked by a French aviator. No mention was made of the result of the raid. About Souchez, Neuville and Roye, the statement added, but no important infantry attacks have been made. In the Argonne region operations are confined to bomb attacks.

Wheat Quotations Very Perplexing

NORTHWEST QUOTATIONS VARY GREATLY: WALLA WALLA PRICE 5 CTS ABOVE PENDLETON.

Published wheat quotations continue to show a perplexing condition. Chicago prices are slightly advanced today. Portland prices remain the same. Yesterday's Tacoma quotation for club was 91 cents while the Seattle quotation was 98 cents, a figure nine cents above the Portland bid price. The Walla Walla club price August 24 was 87 cents whereas Pendleton dealers were offering 82 that day. Today no quotations are given here but farmers report they have been offered 82 cents.

Portland.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 26.—(Special)—Club 89 bid, 92 asked; Bluestem 93 bid, 94 1-2 asked.

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COUNTY COMMISSION VACANCY CHOICE TO BE JOINT AGREEMENT

SELECTION MUST BE MADE BY MARSH AND COCKBURN DECLARES OPINION.

That the appointment of a man to the vacant commissionership in this county rests jointly with County Judge Marsh and Commissioner Cockburn and not with the county judge alone is the substance of an opinion from the office of the attorney general of Oregon.

The attorney general's opinion was sought by District Attorney Steiwer at the request of Judge Marsh who wished to be sure of the law in the case. In response to the inquiry the following telegram was received by Mr. Steiwer last evening.

Salem, Ore., Aug. 25. Hon. Frederick Steiwer, Pendleton, Oregon. Judge and commissioner appoint commissioner, Russell versus Crook county, 145 Pacific, 394.

J. A. BENJAMIN, Asst. Attorney General. The district attorney today informed Judge Marsh of the opinion received but Mr. Steiwer himself has not yet given his own opinion in a formal manner. He wishes to look up the ruling more fully and will probably advise Judge Marsh on the subject tomorrow.

According to Judge Marsh he expects to heed the advice of the official attorney on the subject. He has never been fully satisfied that he had the authority to make the appointment by himself. He has also had in mind to consult Commissioner Cockburn on the subject, regardless of the law, so if requested to do so will be following a course not materially different from what he had in mind.

The county court convenes a week from yesterday and it is possible an appointment to the vacancy may be made at that time.

The Crook county case cited by the assistant attorney general is not identical with the case here but the ruling of the supreme court holds that the commissioners as well as the judge, compose the county court when convened for transacting county business. In the ruling Judge McBride says that if the constitution had intended the commissioners merely to "sit" with the judge it would have been just as effective had it been ordered that the county judge sit with two joints of stove pipe.

81 Million Grain Estimate. SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 26.—The Northern Pacific Railway contemplates handling 81,000,000 bushels of grain of all kinds over its system this year, according to J. M. Tannaford, president of the road, who arrived on a special train with a party of officials.

BREST LITOVSK FALLS AFTER GERMANS STORM THE OUTER DEFENSES

Main Fortress of Russians Fails to Keep Back the Teutonic Drive

Surrender of the Whole New Line Beyond Warsaw is Now Pending, According to Berlin-Slavs Who Retreated are Believed to be Withdrawing to East and Northeast.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—Brest Litovsk, the main fortress base of the Russian field armies, has been captured, it was officially announced. The Russians surrendered after part of the defensive works had been stormed.

Brest Litovsk has been the objective of Von Mackensen since the capture of Lemberg. The city is 129 miles east of Warsaw on the Bug river, a junction point of several important railways. It is strongly fortified. Some military critics rated Brest Litovsk as of more strategic importance than Warsaw.

The capture makes the surrender of the entire Kovno-Brest Litovsk line imperative and the fall of the fortress of Brest-Litovsk and Grodno are expected at any time. The Russians who retreated from the fortress are believed to be withdrawing to the east and northeast.

The direct attack against the fortress had been in progress only a few days. Although the initial statement of the war office made no announcement of the number of prisoners taken, it is believed several thousand must have been captured, as Russian strategy did not contemplate the surrender of the fortress for at least a fortnight. The Slavs counted on Brest Litovsk as a base after Warsaw fell. The fortress was one of the strongest in Europe.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—The capture of Brest-Litovsk, midway between Warsaw and Vilna, on the railway to Petrograd, is believed to be a matter of hours. Having hacked his way toward the railway through the Russian rear guard, Von Gallwitz was within eight miles of Brest-Litovsk early yesterday. The Slavs still are offering a stubborn resistance to the German advance when the last official dispatches were filed.

10,000 LABORERS AT BRIDGEPORT TIE UP INDUSTRIES OF CITY

DEMANDS FOR MORE WAGES AND AN EIGHT HOUR DAY CAUSE OF STRIKES.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 26.—Bridgeport is strike-bound. Upwards of 10,000 men and women are out, practically all demanding increased wages and an eight hour day. Half a dozen industries of the city are all but tied up.

Girls employed in the corset factories struck today. Eight thousand men employed in munition manufacturing plants are out and a strike of 1000 clerks, mostly girls, has almost tied up the department stores. In addition, employees of the New Haven railroad here are out. The laundry workers and the barbers also have struck.

Four strikers who were arrested were taken into custody about the Crane Valve company where a clash occurred between strikers and patrolmen. Bricks were hurled in the fight but none were reported seriously injured. The desire of the workers to share in the prosperity which will come to Bridgeport as a result of munition manufacturing was attributed as a cause of the strikes.

Roumania Is Preparing.

COLOGNE, via London, Aug. 26.—According to the Cologne Gazette the railways of Roumania have received orders to place all rolling stock at the disposition of the minister of war on September 14.

This move is regarded as deeply significant of Roumania's possible course in the future.

Willamette Valley People Planning to Visit Round-Up

The Willamette valley will be strongly represented at the Pendleton Round-up next month, according to advices just received by Secretary Marsh from M. F. Carson, who is representing the Round-up in those parts. Not only will many come on regular trains and special cars but hundreds will come by automobiles, he writes, and suggests the advisability of Pendleton preparing additional parking places for automobiles.

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Billy Sunday is Scored by Taft



Baseball Evangelist in Characteristic Pose.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Evangelists of the Billy Sunday type were scored by Taft at the opening session of the conference of Unitarian and other Christian churches here. While he did not mention Sunday's name, his description of Sunday's methods indicated to whom he had reference.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. German ambassador gives pledge that Americans will be safeguarded on the seas. Submarine activities will be limited. Brest-Litovsk is captured by the Germans.

Local. Stanfield land owners will try to tap subterranean lake of water for irrigation purposes.

Attorney general holds Judge Marsh and Commissioner Cockburn shall fill vacant commissionership. Reports from Willamette valley indicate big crowd coming to attend Round-up.

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